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SUBJECT: EGYPT WELCOMES CEASEFIRE AGREEMENT AFTER
INITIAL HESITATION

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1. EGYPT ANNOUNCED JAN 23 THAT IT WELCOMES THE CEASE-
FIRE AGREEMENT IN LEBANON AND EXPRESSED HOPE THAT
AGREEMENT SUCCEEDS. DEP PM/FIN ISMAIL FAHMY SAID WE
HOPE CEASEFIRE WILL BE RESPECTED BY ALL PARTIES SO THAT
THE LEBANESE PEOPLE MAY BE ABLE TO DRESS THEIR WOUNDS,
AND RECONSTRUCT THEIR ECONOMY AND CONTRIBUTE
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POSITIVELY TO THE ARAB STRUGGLE AND ARAB SOLIDARITY.

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HE ADDED EGYPT HAD CALLED LONG AGO FOR CEASEFIRE AND IT COULD HAVE HAPPENED A LONG TIME AGO, AND LEBANESE PEOPLE COULD HAVE AVOIDED HEAVY SACRIFICE IN LIVES AND MATERIAL DAMAGE. EGYPT ACCEPTS WITH SATISFACTION THE AGREEMENT WHICH TOOK PLACE SO QUICKLY; HAD IT NOT BEEN FOR FOREIGN INTERVENTION, THIS RESULT COULD HAVE ATTAINED (EARLIR) WITH SAME SPEED AS SUDDENLY AS IT TOOK PLACE.

2. COMMENT. AS INDICATED REFTEL, GOE RECOGNIZES CEASE-FIRE AS SERVING ITS OWN INTERESTS, DESPITE STRONG OPPOSITION TO KEY ROLE PLAYED BY SYRIA THROUGHOUT LEBANESE CRISIS.
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